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5. Six 85-mm AA guns were still observed in the northwestern AA gun emplacement. In early December 1957, the new building in the area of this gun emplacement was apparently completed as was inferred from rising smoke. It could not be determined if the building was occupied.
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